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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was previously filed on November 7, 2006, Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner a European Search Report dated December 30, 2008, with respect to patent family member European Patent Application No. 05745995.0, in which the following documents were cited:

- (1) International Patent Publication No. WO 2004/025651 A1, and patent family members European Patent Publication No. EP 1 551 027 A and U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2006/0143666 A1;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 6,057,833;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,072,503; and
- (4) U.S. Patent No. US 6,735,738 B1.

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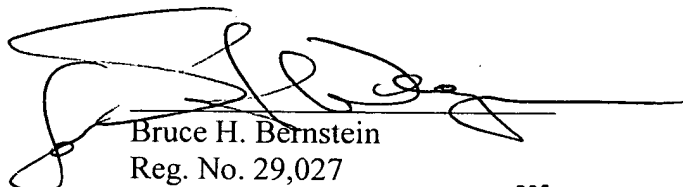
The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the European claims by the European Examiner, is set forth in the EP search report.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted international and foreign documents are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. A copy of European Patent Search Report is also attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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